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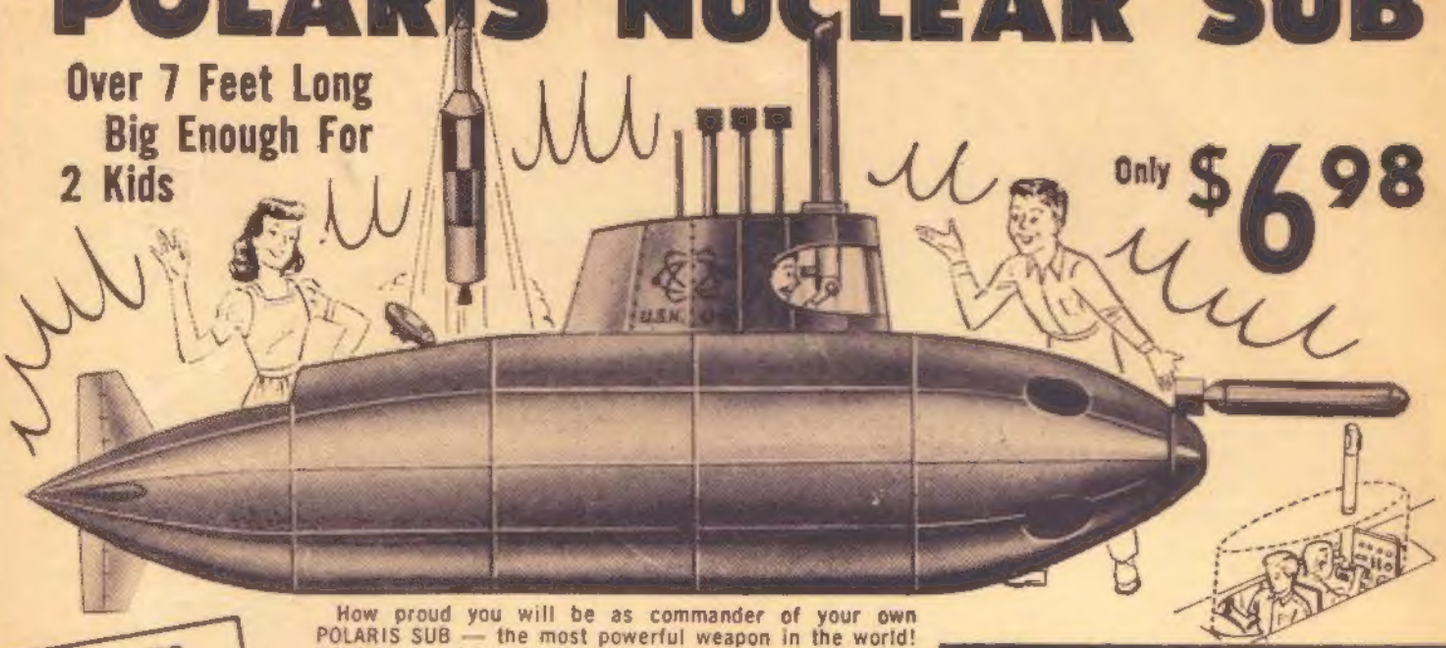

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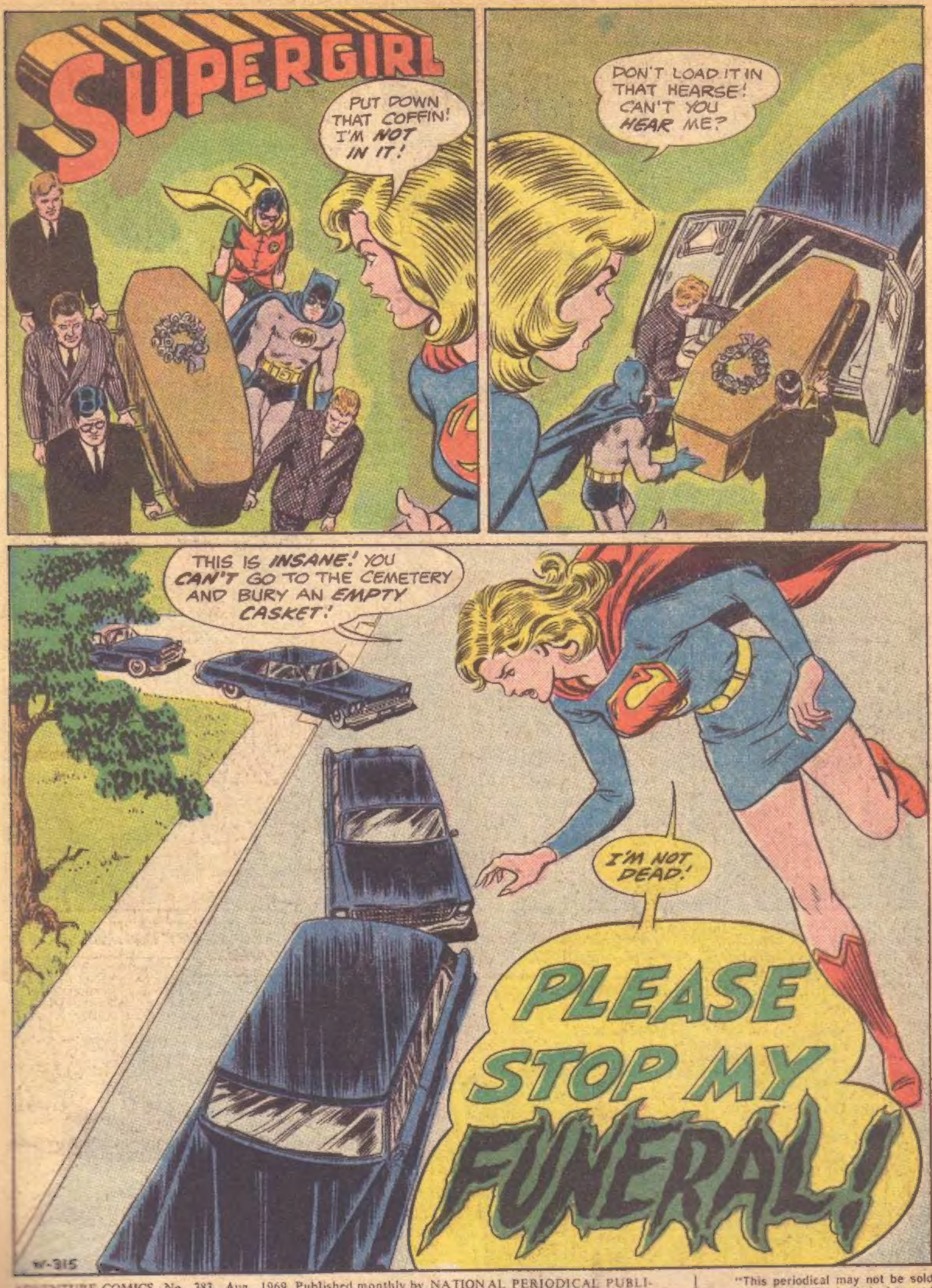
SUPERGIRL
PUT DOWN THAT COFFIN! I'M NOT IN IT!
DON'T LOAD IT IN THAT HEARSE! CAN'T YOU HEAR ME?
THIS IS INSANE! YOU CAN'T GO TO THE CEMETERY AND BURY AN EMPTY CASKET!
I'M NOT DEAD!
PLEASE STOP MY FUNERAL!
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AT LINDA DANVERS' HISTORY CLASS AT STANHOPE COLLEGE...
MISS DANVERS, WHY WAS THE CASE OF MARBURY VERSUS MADISON IMPORTANT?
BECAUSE IT WAS THE FIRST TIME THE SUPREME COURT RULED A LAW PASSED BY CONGRESS TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL! CHIEF JUSTICE MARSHALL, IN THIS DECISION, STATED THAT "A LAW REPUGNANT TO THE CONSTITUTION IS VOID..."
AFTER THE BELL RINGS...
HISTORY'S NOT MY BAG! IT'S ALL ABOUT DEAD PEOPLE! WHAT COULD THEY TEACH US, LINDA?
I KNOW WHAT WOULD SEND YOU INTO ORBIT, PAM! A HISTORY OF THE BEATLES! YEAH!-- YEAH!-- YEAH!
LATER, LINDA CHANGES INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF SUPERGIRL IN A SECRET ROOM BENEATH AN ABANDONED SMOKESTACK AT STANHOPE...
MISSION CONTROL CENTER AT CAPE KENNEDY ASKED ME TO KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR APOLLO 15! THAT CAPSULE WILL SPLASH DOWN IN THE ATLANTIC TODAY... AND THE ASTRONAUTS MAY NEED HELP IF THE WEATHER KICKS UP!
BUT NO "MISSION" IS TOO SMALL FOR THE GIRL OF STEEL...
M-MY EYE! IT HURTS! SOMETHING GOT IN IT!
DON'T RUB IT! THAT'S THE WORST THING YOU CAN DO!
INHALING HER VACUUM-BREATH WITH THE SKILL OF A SURGEON, SUPERGIRL DRAWS THE SPECK OF DUST FROM THE CHILD'S EYE...
IT'S OUT! THANK YOU, SUPERGIRL! THANK YOU!
WHOOF
AGAIN, THE MAID OF MIGHT CONTINUES ON HER FLASHING FLIGHT...
THERE'S THE SPACE-CRAFT! BUT IT'S NOT DESCENDING! IT'S BEING YANKED TOWARDS THAT BIG CLOUD!
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THE STANHOPE SENSATION'S X-RAY VISION REVEALS...
A HOSTILE, UNMANNED U.F.O. ...PULLING A SPACE-SNATCH!
MY HEAT VISION IS MELTING THE U.F.O.'S KIDNAP-CLAMPS! THAT WILL PUT AN END TO ITS ATTEMPT TO ABDUCT OUR LATEST APOLLO SPACE-SHOT!
WHRAAAAAAAM!
GREAT METEORS! I GUESS MY HEAT VISION TRIGGERED A SELF-DESTRUCT MECHANISM IN THE SPACESHIP... TO DESTROY ALL EVIDENCE OF ITS ORIGIN!
WHEW!! WHAT A BLAST! IT ALMOST SENT ME OUT OF THIS WORLD! BUT I'M A-O.K. NOW!
SECONDS LATER... WHILE PASSING OVER METROPOLIS ON HER WAY BACK TO STANHOPE...
WHY, IT'S CLARK KENT, WHO'S SECRETLY MY COUSIN SUPERMAN! HE'S ALL DRESSED IN BLACK! HE SEEMS TO BE IN MOURNING! BUT WHICH OF HIS FRIENDS HAS DIED?
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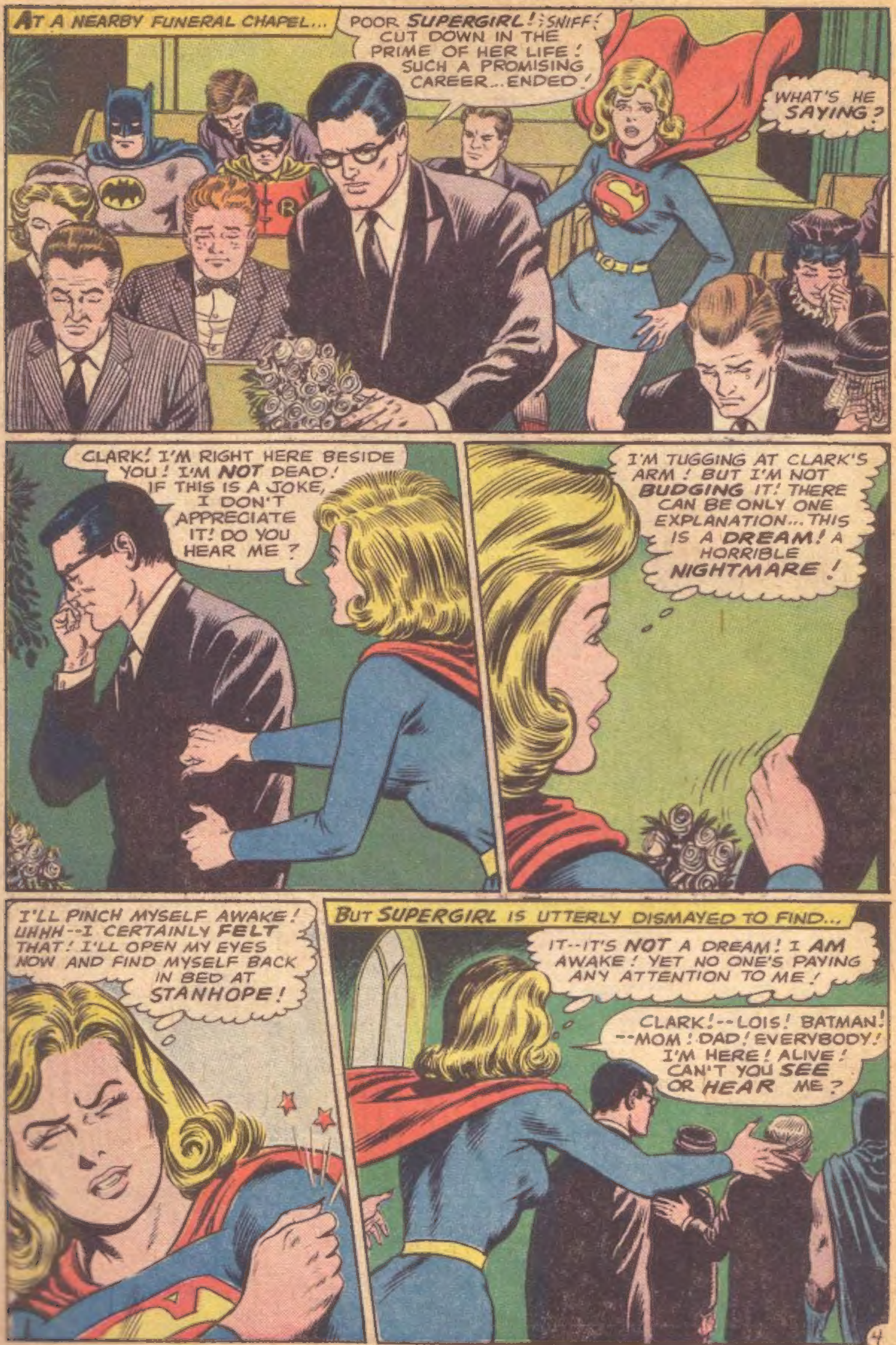
AT A NEARBY FUNERAL CHAPEL...
POOR SUPERGIRL! SNIFF! CUT DOWN IN THE PRIME OF HER LIFE! SUCH A PROMISING CAREER...ENDED!
WHAT'S HE SAYING?
CLARK! I'M RIGHT HERE BESIDE YOU! I'M NOT DEAD! IF THIS IS A JOKE, I DON'T APPRECIATE IT! DO YOU HEAR ME?
I'M TUGGING AT CLARK'S ARM! BUT I'M NOT BUDGING IT! THERE CAN BE ONLY ONE EXPLANATION... THIS IS A DREAM! A HORRIBLE NIGHTMARE!
I'LL PINCH MYSELF AWAKE! UHHH--I CERTAINLY FELT THAT! I'LL OPEN MY EYES NOW AND FIND MYSELF BACK IN BED AT STANHOPE!
BUT SUPERGIRL IS UTTERLY DISMAYED TO FIND...
IT--IT'S NOT A DREAM! I AM AWAKE! YET NO ONE'S PAYING ANY ATTENTION TO ME!
CLARK!--LOIS! BATMAN! --MOM! DAD! EVERYBODY! I'M HERE! ALIVE! CAN'T YOU SEE OR HEAR ME?

T-TEARS--? I--I FEEL THE WETNESS OF MY OWN TEARS! CAN A DEAD PERSON CRY?
OUTSIDE, IN THE HALL...
AM I AN INVISIBLE GHOST? IS THAT WHY NO ONE CAN SEE ME? THAT MIRROR WILL TELL ME... IF I CAN FORCE MYSELF TO LOOK! BUT WHAT IF I DO AND--AND-- I DON'T SEE A REFLECTION?
I--I SEE MYSELF! I DO CAST A REFLECTION! THEN, WHY DIDN'T ANYONE ELSE SEE OR HEAR ME? WHY DIDN'T CLARK FEEL MY HAND TUGGING HIS ARM?
NO ONE OUT HERE SEEMS TO SEE ME, EITHER! BUT I WON'T GIVE UP! I MUST FIND OUT WHETHER I'M ALIVE... OR... OR... REALLY DEAD!
SUPERGIRL'S FEARFUL QUEST LEADS HER TO HER UNIQUE SUPER-STEED...
IT'S COMET, MY SUPER-HORSE! HE HAS TELEPATHIC POWERS! I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET THROUGH TO HIM BY THOUGHT TRANSFERENCE!

IT'S ME, COMET! SUPERGIRL! I'M ALIVE! YOU SEE ME, DON'T YOU? YOU CAN READ MY THOUGHTS! GIVE ME SOME SIGN THAT--
H-HE'S GALLOPING RIGHT OVER ME-- AS IF I DON'T EXIST! HE'D NEVER LAY A HOOF ON ME IF HE KNEW I WAS HERE! I'LL FLY DOWN TO EARTH!
THERE'S STREAKY, MY PET SUPERCAT... CHARGING THROUGH THAT PACK OF DOGS! AND ARE THEY SURPRISED!
YIPE!
YIP!
ARFFF-- ARFFF!
OUT OF THE WAY, YOU BULLIES! GET YOUR CLUMSY PAWS OUT OF HERE!
IT'S ME, STREAKY! CAN'T YOU FEEL MY HAND RUBBING YOUR BACK--JUST THE WAY YOU LIKE IT?
YOU DIDN'T ARCH YOUR BACK WHEN I RUBBED IT! YOU'RE NOT PURRING AS I SCRATCH YOUR WHISKERS! YOU CAN'T FEEL MY FINGERS!
BUT SURELY YOU CAN SMELL ME, STREAKY! YOU HAVE SUPER-SCENT!
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GHOSTLY GLOW-POWER STRIKES!

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FOR THE BOY WHO HAS EVERYTHING!
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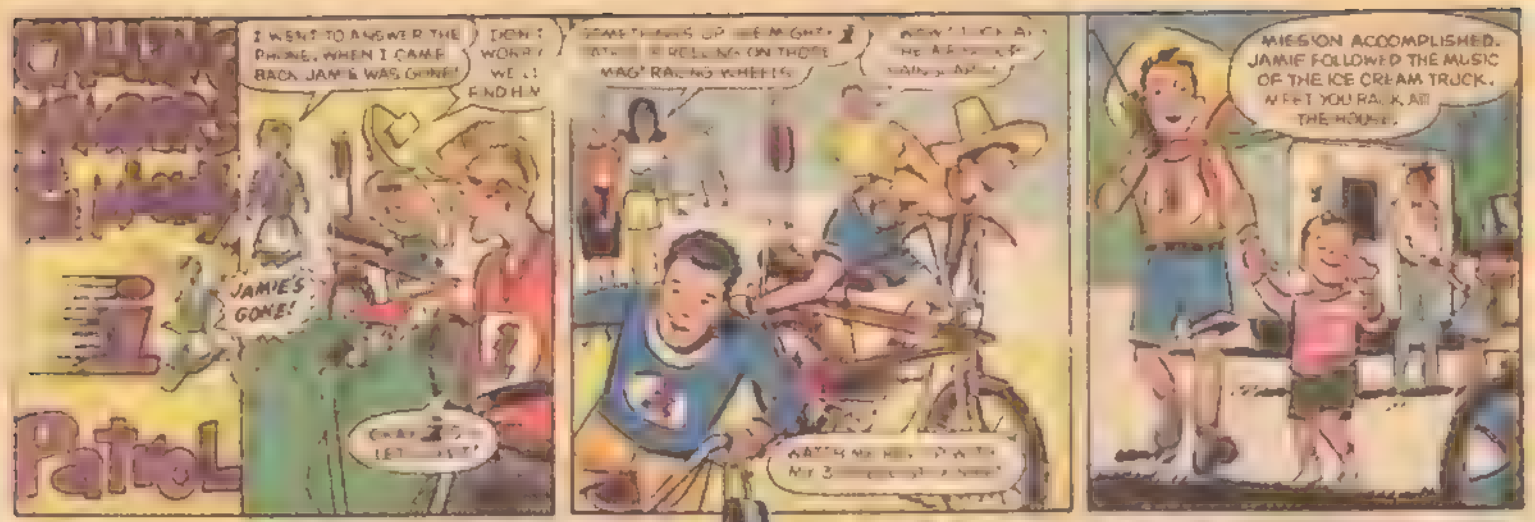
STREAKY'S TURNING OVER THE PHOTO THAT THE DOGS WERE STEPPING ON! IT-- IT'S ONE OF ME! I WONDER WHERE HE FOUND IT?
MEOWWRRRR--
CHOKE--
CHOKE--
SNIFF--
SNIFF
POOR STREAKY! HE--HE'S CRYING OVER ME, JUST AS IF HE KNEW I WAS DEAD! I--I CAN'T BEAR TO WATCH HIM!
AS SUPERGIRL CONTINUES ON HER FEARFUL QUEST...
STRANGE! MY X-RAY VISION ISN'T WORKING! I CAN'T SEE THROUGH THIS CLOUD! I'D BETTER GET BELOW IT BEFORE I CRASH INTO A LOW-FLYING JET!
DESCENDING TOWARD EARTH, THE BLONDE BLOCKBUSTER SIGHTS IMPENDING DISASTER...
OH-OH! SOMEONE...OR SOMETHING TORE UP THE RAIL! THE METROPOLIS METEOR WON'T SEE IT IN TIME TO STOP! IT WILL BARREL OFF THE TRACKS IN SECONDS!
BUT I CAN WARN IT WITH A SUPER-SHOUT!
FROM THE GIRL OF STEEL'S GAPING MOUTH SHOULD COME A THUNDEROUS DIN--BUT...
NO SOUND! THE TRAIN'S HURTLING TO ITS DOOM! MY POWERS DON'T WORK...I CAN'T SAVE IT!

THEN. AMAZINGLY.
WH-WHAT MADE THE TRAIN STOP BEFORE IT REACHED THAT BROKEN RAIL? I DIDN'T HIT THE BRAKE! AND THERE'S NO ONE IN SIGHT!
MY SUPER-SHOUT WAS SOUNDLESS! BUT ITS VIBRATIONS MUST HAVE FORMED AN AIR-CUSHION THAT BROUGHT THE TRAIN TO A HALT!
I FEEL LIKE I'M GOING MAD! YET THERE MUST BE AN ANSWER... AND I'LL KEEP LOOKING TILL I FIND IT! I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE I GO...
AND THE MAID OF MIGHT'S SUPER-SONIC SPEED CARRIES HER TO A FAMILIAR TOWN...
IT'S GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA... DURING THE TIME OF THE CIVIL WAR. AND THERE'S PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN! ALIVE! HAVE I FLOWN THROUGH THE TIME-BARRIER WITHOUT REALIZING IT?
FOURSCORE AND SEVEN YEARS AGO, OUR FATHERS BROUGHT FORTH ON THIS CONTINENT...
SUDDENLY, THERE IS AN OMINOUS, SPLINTERING SOUND...
CRAAAAACKKK!
HELP! HELP!
THE WOODEN STAND! IT'S BUCKLING UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE PEOPLE! THEY'LL BE CRUSHED!


I WENT TO ANSWER THE PHONE. WHEN I CAME BACK JAMIE WAS GONE!
DON'T WORRY WE'LL FIND HIM
JAMIE'S GONE!
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MY SUPER-STRENGTH IS WORKING! I'M HOLDING UP THE STAND WHILE THE PEOPLE ESCAPE! BUT DO THEY SEE ME? OR AM I STILL A GHOST?
A FEW MOMENTS LATER--A MEETING UNRECORDED IN ANY HISTORY BOOKS..
THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT!
MAGNIFICENT, YOUNG LADY! YOU WERE A FEMALE ATLAS! WHY, GENERAL GRANT COULD HAVE USED YOU IN HIS CRITICAL BATTLES! YOU MUST VISIT US AT THE WHITE HOUSE!
AS THE HISTORIC GETTYSBURG ADDRESS CONTINUES...
I'M MORE CONFUSED THAN EVER! THERE ARE NO RECORDS OF A STAND COLLAPSING DURING LINCOLN'S SPEECH! AND WHY DID HE SPEAK OF GRANT'S BATTLES IN THE PAST TENSE? THE WAR WAS STILL GOING ON WHEN HE DEDICATED THE CEMETERY AT GETTYSBURG!
AT LEAST I WAS SEEN! YET I DIDN'T SOLVE THE MYSTERY! ONLY DEEPENED IT! HMM... IF I AM IN THE PAST, NAPOLEON III SHOULD BE IN POWER IN FRANCE! I'LL SEE...
SHORTLY...
IT'S JOAN OF ARC! SURROUNDED BY ENGLISH SOLDIERS! YET THIS TIME I KNOW I DIDN'T PENETRATE THE TIME-BARRIER TO HER ERA... THE 15TH CENTURY!

AS THE ENEMY HORSEMEN TAUNT THE MAID OF ORLEANS ...
IS THIS THE HERO? JOAN? FIGHT OR BE HACKED TO PIECES BY OUR BLADES!
I DO NOT UNSHEATH MY SWORD TO SHED BLOOD... ONLY TO POINT THE WAY TO VICTORY FOR MY ARMY!
DIE, THEN!
BUT FROM SUPERGIRL COMES A SEARING BLAST OF HEAT VISION..
OUR SWORDS--MELTING LIKE HOT BUTTER!
SSSS-SSSSSS
IT--IT'S WITCHCRAFT!
A TITANIC GUST OF SUPER-BREATH FROM THE GIRL OF STEEL, AND
WHROOOOOOOO
I HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH POWER! YOU HURL THEM LIKE A TIDAL WAVE! BUT WHAT A STRANGE COSTUME YOU WEAR!
WILL YOU JOIN MY ARMY, MAID? TOGETHER, WE CAN SCATTER THE ENEMIES OF LA BELLE FRANCE LIKE CHAFF!
I CAN'T, JOAN! AN URGENT MISSION TAKES ME ELSEWHERE! BUT I'LL NEVER FORGET MEETING YOU!
AGAIN SUPERGIRL SETS OUT ON HER TOUR OF MYSTERY
WHY SHOULD ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND JOAN OF ARC BE ABLE TO SEE ME? BOTH ARE LONG DEAD! WHAT'S THE ANSWER? ARE WE ALL GHOSTS?

NEXT. SUPERGIRL'S FLIGHT TAKES HER TO OLD CATHAY...
THERE'S A SWITCH! SIR ISAAC NEWTON, THE FAMOUS BRITISH SCIENTIST, IS INSTRUCTING THE CHINESE, WHO ACTUALLY INVENTED GUNPOWDER, IN THE FIRING OF ROCKETS! THAT NEVER HAPPENED IN HISTORY! I'LL LAND...
WHOOOOOOSH
AT LAST... THINGS ARE BEGINNING TO ADD UP!
STAND BACK, LASS! THESE ROCKETS ARE TRICKY!
SHHHSSSSSSS!
JOVE! THE ROCKET IS REVERSING ITS DIRECTION! FLEE FOR YOUR LIVES, EVERYONE!
HURRY, LASS! DON'T JUST STAND THERE!
WHOOOOOOSH
UNHESITATINGLY, SUPERGIRL STREAKS SKYWARD...
I MUST STOP THAT GIANT ROCKET FROM EXPLODING IN THE CROWD!
AND THE DAUNTLESS GIRL OF STEEL IS CAUGHT IN A RENDING EXPLOSION...
WHAMMMMMM

OUT OF A TITANIC WHIRLPOOL OF FORCE HURTLES SUPERGIRL...
THERE'S APOLLO 15, THE ASTRONAUTS' CAPSULE! NEWTON'S EXPLODING ROCKET HURLED ME BACK TO WHERE I STARTED FROM--MY OWN EARTH!
THE FIRST EXPLOSION, OF THE HOSTILE SPACECRAFT, MUST'VE BLASTED ME TO A NEGATIVE WORLD! IT'S AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF OUR EARTH, EXCEPT THAT EVERY PERSON WHO IS ALIVE HERE IS A NEGATIVE HUMAN THERE! AND WHEN A PERSON DIES ON OUR EARTH, HIS NEGATIVE DOUBLE ON THEIR WORLD BECOMES A NORMAL, POSITIVE BEING...UNSEEN BY THE NEGATIVE PEOPLE AND MOURNED BY THEM AS DEAD!
THAT'S WHY LINCOLN, JOAN, AND NEWTON WERE ALIVE... AND COULD SEE ME! WHEN I ENTERED THAT WORLD, MY NEGATIVE DOUBLE VANISHED...SO HER FRIENDS THOUGHT SHE WAS DEAD! BUT NOW THAT I'VE LEFT, THE NEGATIVE SUPERGIRL HAS PROBABLY RETURNED TO HER WORLD!
HERE COMES CLARK KENT, IN THE DAILY PLANET'S FLYING NEWSROOM! NOW TO SEE IF I'M RIGHT...
HI, SUPERGIRL! ANYTHING EXCITING HAPPEN?
NO, CLARK! NOTHING UNUSUAL! THE SPLASHDOWN WAS PERFECT!
BUT I DO HAVE A STORY TO TELL HIM LATER...OF A NEGATIVE CLARK MOURNING A LIVING, POSITIVE SUPERGIRL!
THE END
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SUPERGIRL
HOLD THAT KID WHILE I KAYO HIM... OW! MY HAND!
HA, HA! YOU CAN'T HURT ME! I'M AS INVULNERABLE AS SUPERGIRL!
WHAP!
UNNHH! THEY CAN'T HARM TONY... BUT I'M TAKING A BEATING! WHENEVER THEY HIT HIM, I'M THE ONE WHO FEELS IT
WHAP!
LUCKY TONY WALSTON! HE HAS SUPERGIRL'S INVULNERABILITY, SO HE CAN TAKE ALL THE PUNISHMENT ANYONE CAN DISH OUT... WITH A GRIN! TROUBLE IS, THE MAID OF MIGHT ISN'T INVULNERABLE NOW... AND AN EERIE PSYCHIC BOND UNITES HER AND TONY, SO THAT WHAT DOESN'T HURT HIM CAN KILL HER! RESULT: THIS IS...
SUPERGIRL'S DAY OF DANGER!
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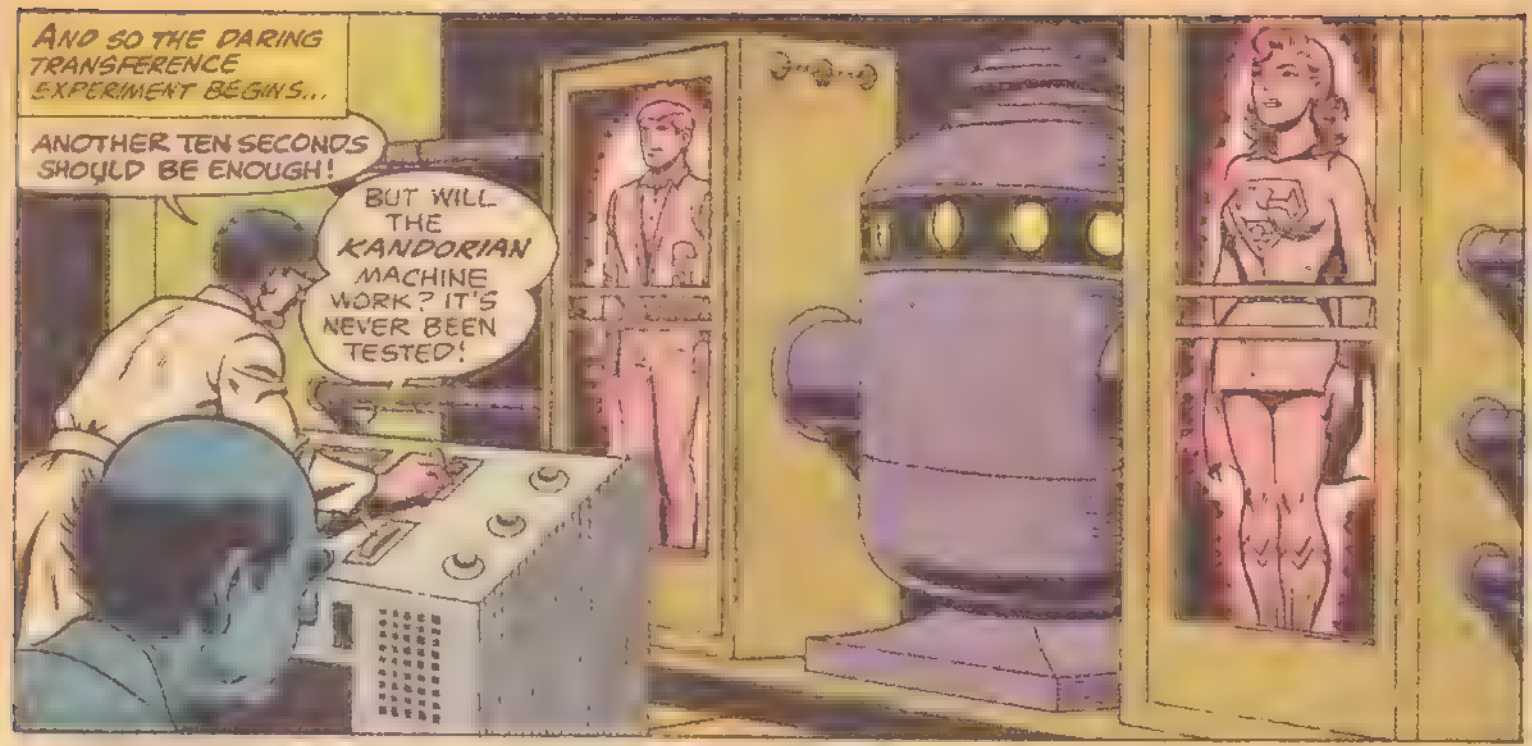
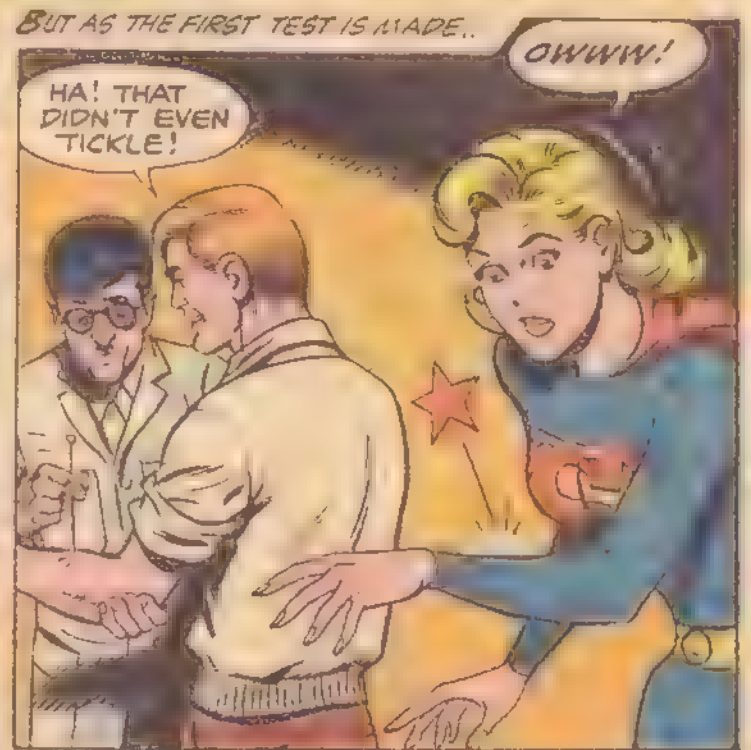
EVERY AFTERNOON, MANY COUPLES STROLL ON THE STANHOPE COLLEGE CAMPUS...
DON'T FORGET OUR DATE TONIGHT, TONY!
NOT A CHANCE! PICK YOU UP AT 7:30!
BUT THIS IS NO ORDINARY COUPLE...

...BECAUSE THE GUY IS TONY WALSTON, THE SCHOOL'S FOUR-STAR ATHLETIC WONDER...
I'D BETTER HUSTLE! I'M DUE AT THE SCIENCE CENTER IN FIVE MINUTES!

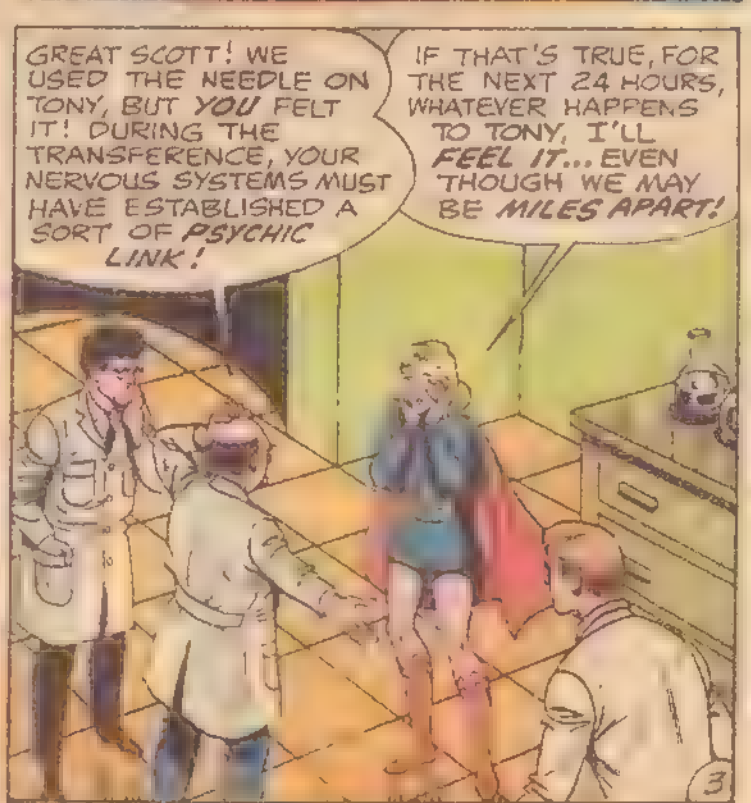
AND HIS DATE IS LINDA DAVVERS... SECRETLY THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST GIRL...
TONY THINKS HE WON'T SEE ME TILL TONIGHT! BUT HE'S MEETING ME AGAIN IN FIVE MINUTES, AT THE SCIENCE CENTER --AS SUPERGIRL!
THERE HE IS! I KNOW ALL ABOUT THE UPCOMING EXPERIMENT... BUT TONY DOESN'T! I WOULDN'T BLAME HIM IF HE DECIDED NOT TO GO THROUGH WITH IT... IT COULD BE RISKY!
SCIENCE CENTER
MOMENTS LATER, INSIDE...
YOU'RE A STAR ATHLETE, AND IN TOP PHYSICAL SHAPE! SPECIMENS LIKE YOU ARE DIFFICULT TO COME BY!
...AND THAT'S WHAT WE HOPE TO DO TONY!
NOW LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT...
THAT MACHINE IS SUPPOSED TO TRANSFER SUPERGIRL'S INVULNERABILITY TO ME-- FOR 24 HOURS... THEN YOU WANT TO SUBJECT ME TO A SERIES OF LAB TESTS! RIGHT?
EXACTLY!
THIS DEVICE WAS BUILT BY SCIENTISTS IN THE MINIATURE BOTTLE-CITY OF KANDOR, SO IT WILL AFFECT SUPERGIRL! SHE BROUGHT IT HERE AND ENLARGED IT!
WE HOPE THE MACHINE WILL REMOVE THE INVULNERABILITY FROM SUPERGIRL'S BODY AND PLACE IT IN YOURS!
BY STUDYING THE CHANGES IN YOUR BODY, THEY MAY FIND A WAY TO DUPLICATE MY INVULNERABILITY... MAKE PEOPLE IMMUNE TO DISEASE... GIVE US POLICE WHO CAN'T BE HARMED BY BULLETS!
YOU'VE SOLD ME! I'M YOUR MAN!


AND SO THE DARING TRANSFERENCE EXPERIMENT BEGINS...
ANOTHER TEN SECONDS SHOULD BE ENOUGH!
BUT WILL THE KANDORIAN MACHINE WORK? IT'S NEVER BEEN TESTED!

SOON AFTER, AS THE CIRCUITS ARE SHUT DOWN...
I... FEEL DIFFERENT SOMEHOW!
I DON'T FEEL QUITE THE SAME MYSELF! A FEW TESTS WILL PROVE WHETHER THE TRANSFER CLICKED!


BUT AS THE FIRST TEST IS MADE..
HA! THAT DIDN'T EVEN TICKLE!
OWWW!

SUPERGIRL... WHAT'S WRONG?
I FELT A SHARP PAIN... AS THOUGH SOMETHING WERE BEING JABBED IN MY ARM!


GREAT SCOTT! WE USED THE NEEDLE ON TONY, BUT YOU FELT IT! DURING THE TRANSFERENCE, YOUR NERVOUS SYSTEMS MUST HAVE ESTABLISHED A SORT OF PSYCHIC LINK!
IF THAT'S TRUE, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS, WHATEVER HAPPENS TO TONY, I'LL FEEL IT... EVEN THOUGH WE MAY BE MILES APART!
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THAT'S IT, SUPERGIRL! TONY CAN'T BE HARMED, BUT YOU CAN! IF HE WERE IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT, YOU COULD BE KILLED!
WE WON'T HAVE THE EQUIPMENT READY TO REVERSE THE PROCESS UNTIL MORNING... I SUGGEST YOU KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON TONY! REMEMBER--YOUR LIFE DEPENDS ON HIS HEALTH!
AND SUPERGIRL DOES, INDEED, KEEP THE ATHLETE UNDER SURVEILLANCE ...AS HIS DATE, LINDA DANVERS...
NOW AREN'T YOU GLAD I TALKED YOU INTO COMING TO STANHOPE'S SPRING FAIR, LINDA?
YOU SAID IT!
I DIDN'T! I TRIED TO TALK TONY OUT OF COMING HERE, BUT HE INSISTED! A CROWD LIKE THIS IS THE LAST PLACE I WANT TO BE ...TOO MANY THINGS COULD HAPPEN HERE!
HOW RIGHT LINDA IS...FOR LOOK WHO'S ALSO ON HAND FOR THE FESTIVITIES...
YEP, THAT'S WALSTON, ALL RIGHT, BOSS!
I CAN SEE THAT, IDIOT! JUST GET HIM AWAY FROM THAT GIRL, KNOCK HIM COLD AND BRING HIM TO ME!
WONDER WHAT LINDA WOULD SAY IF SHE KNEW HER ESCORT WAS ABSOLUTELY INVULNERABLE?
I GUESS TONY DECIDED NOT TO MENTION THE EXPERIMENT! AND I'D RATHER NOT THINK ABOUT IT...BUT I MUST BE ON THE ALERT, IN CASE OF TROUBLE!
UNEXPECTEDLY...
HEYYY!
TONY!

OWWW! THIS GUY'S JAW MUST BE IRON!
HUH? CAN'T YOU EVEN KAYO A PUNK COLLEGE KID?
POW!
AND SIMULTANEOUSLY...
OHHH...MY CHIN! I'M... PASSING...OUT...
LOOK! THAT GIRL'S FAINTING!
SHE MUST BE SICK! CALL A DOCTOR!
AS THE HOODS CONTINUE TO WORK TONY OVER...
SEE? EVEN YOUR BLACKJACK DIDN'T FAZE HIM!
I HARDLY FELT THAT...BUT SUPERGIRL MUST BE GETTING CLOBBERED! I'LL HAVE TO MAKE THESE CHARACTERS STOP!
NOW LOOK, FELLAS, CUT IT OUT, HUH? I'LL GO ALONG WITH YOU, DO ANYTHING YOU SAY! JUST DON'T HIT ME AGAIN!
WHAT DO YOU KNOW? HE'S ONE OF THEM PACIFISTS, I GUESS!
START MOVING THEN, TOUGH BOY! THE BOSS IS WAITING!
MEANWHILE, AN AMBULANCE HAS BEEN RUSHED TO PICK UP LINDA...
FUNNY! I COULD HAVE SWORN THAT ABRASION ON HER HEAD WASN'T THERE A MINUTE AGO!
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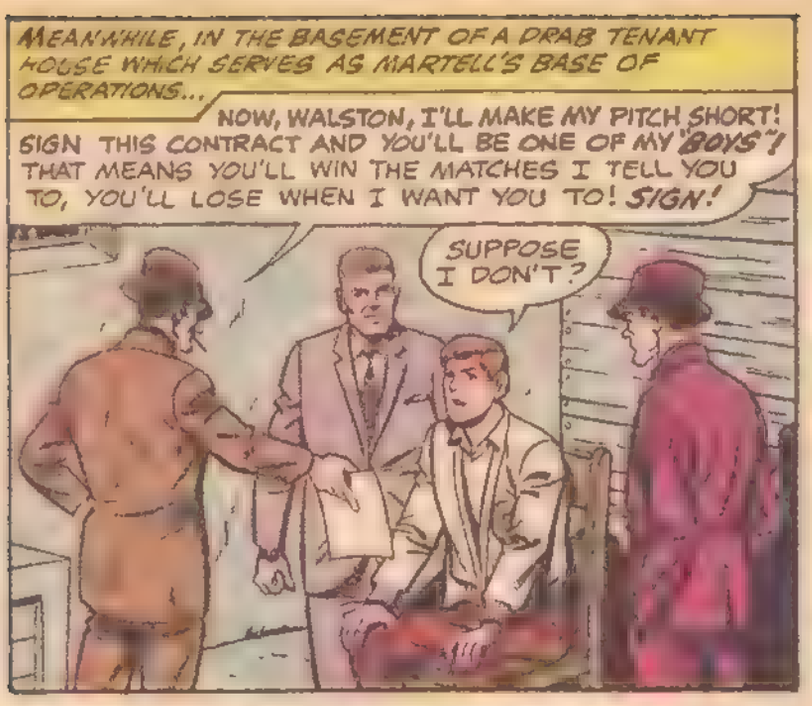
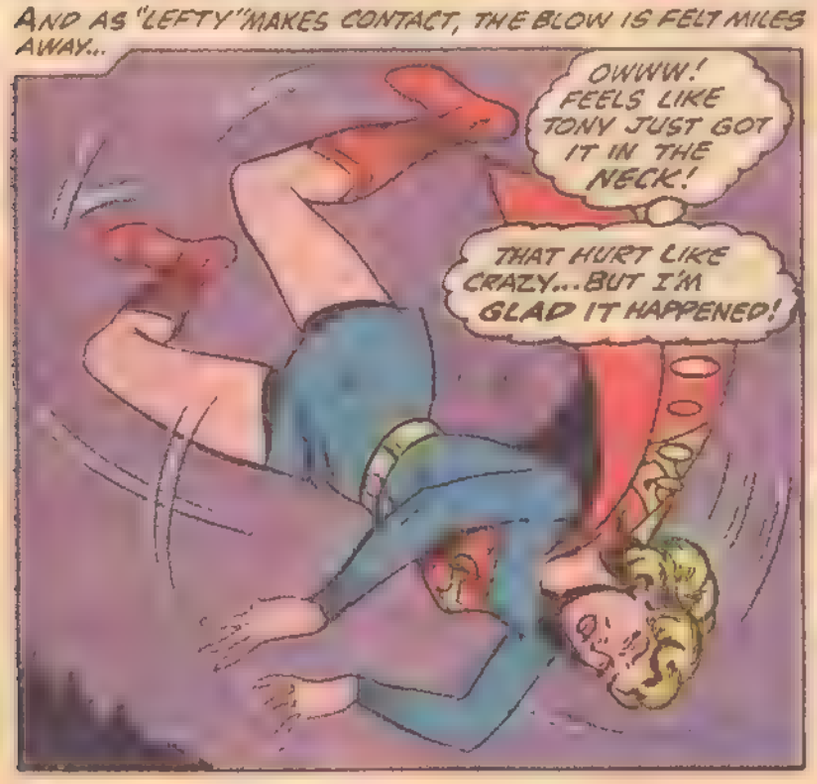
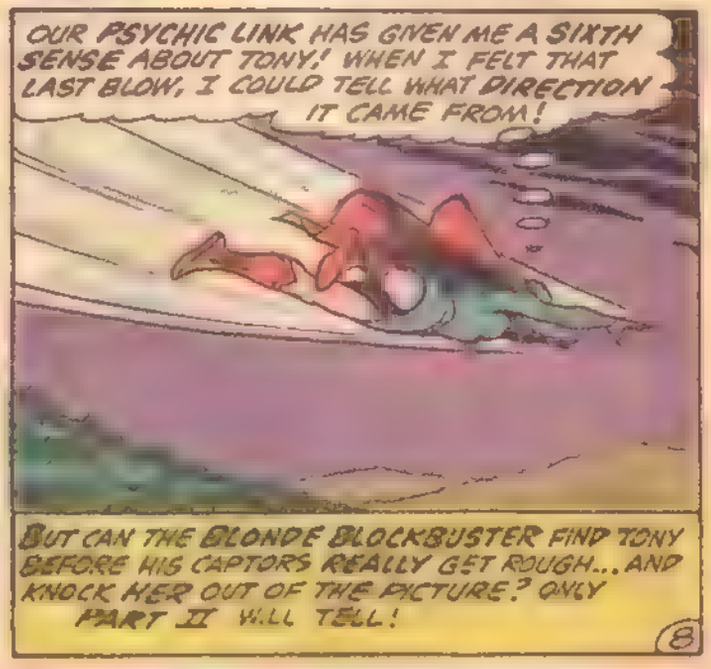
AS THE AMBULANCE ROARS OFF, TONY IS BEING TAKEN TO A BLACK LIMOUSINE...
I SEE YOU'RE STILL ABLE TO WALK, WALSTON! IF YOU WANT TO STAY THAT WAY, DON'T GIVE ME ANY TROUBLE!
HEY! I KNOW WHO YOU ARE—VINCE MARTELL—THE GANGSTER WHO GETS HIS KICKS RIGGING SPORTING EVENTS!
PRETTY WISE, AIN'T YOU? I'LL... YIIII!
IS THIS A COLLEGE KID OR THE GREAT STONE FACE?
OH, MAN! I OPEN MY BIG MOUTH AND JUMP IN WITH BOTH FEET! SORRY ABOUT THAT SLAP, SUPERGIRL—WHEREVER YOU ARE!
AND WE KNOW WHERE SHE IS...IN THE AMBULANCE...
WHAT THE DEVIL COULD HAVE IRRITATED HER CHEEK LIKE THAT... SO SUDDENLY?
WHILE, IN THE LIMOUSINE...
I HEAR STANHOPE HAS A BIG WRESTLING MEET COMING UP WITH METROPOLIS U. THIS WEEK-END, WALSTON... AND YOU'RE ONE OF THE TOP CONTENDERS!
NO DICE, MISTER! YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO BRIBE ME TO THROW A MATCH!
WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT BRIBING YOU? YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE—BECAUSE MY ORGANIZATION HAS BET A PILE OF CASH ON METROPOLIS! SO DO AS YOU'RE TOLD, OR YOU'LL BE IN NO CONDITION TO WRESTLE... GET ME?
I SURE DO!
MARTELL WILL HAVE HIS BOYS WORK ME OVER...BUT GOOD! HE KNOWS STANHOPE CAN'T WIN THE MATCH WITHOUT ME!
THEY CAN'T EVEN RUFFLE ME...BUT THEY COULD KILL POOR SUPERGIRL! WHAT A SPOT!

AT THAT MOMENT, IN A HOSPITAL WARD..
THIS IS THE MOST BAFFLING CASE I'VE EVER SEEN... INJURIES APPEARING WITH NO VISIBLE CAUSE!
OHHH..
WE'LL CHECK THE GIRL'S PERSONAL EFFECTS AND FIND OUT WHO SHE IS, DOCTOR!
MY FACE, MY HEAD THROBBING WITH PAIN! WHEREVER TONY IS, HE SURE MUST BE TAKING PLENTY OF PUNISHMENT!
I MUST GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THEY EXAMINE ME FURTHER AND FIND THE SUPERGIRL COSTUME UNDER MY LINDA CLOTHES!
HELP! HELP! ONE OF THE PATIENTS IN WARD 3 HAS GONE BERSERK!
QUICK! LET'S GET IN THERE AND HELP SUBDUE HIM!
NOTHING LIKE A LITTLE SUPER-VENTRILOQUISM FOR EMPTYING A ROOM FAST!
THEN, AFTER A SUPER-FAST COSTUME SWITCH...
NOW, BEFORE THEY GET BACK, THIS PATIENT IS CHECKING OUT! IF THE DOC WAS PUZZLED BEFORE, MY VANISHING ACT SHOULD REALLY SHAKE HIM UP!
I HOPE THOSE KIDNAPPERS DON'T SLAM TONY AROUND ANY MORE BEFORE I CAN GET TO HIM... ASSUMING I CAN FIND THE GUY! THERE'S NO TELLING WHERE HE IS BY NOW!


MEANWHILE, IN THE BASEMENT OF A DRAB TENANT HOUSE WHICH SERVES AS MARTELL'S BASE OF OPERATIONS...
NOW, WALSTON, I'LL MAKE MY PITCH SHORT! SIGN THIS CONTRACT AND YOU'LL BE ONE OF MY "BOYS"! THAT MEANS YOU'LL WIN THE MATCHES I TELL YOU TO, YOU'LL LOSE WHEN I WANT YOU TO! SIGN!
SUPPOSE I DON'T?

THE GANGSTER WAVES A HAND AT ONE OF HIS HENCHMEN, AND...
THEN..."LEFTY" USES YOU FOR KARATE PRACTICE! GIVE THE KID A MILD SAMPLE, "LEFTY"!


AND AS "LEFTY" MAKES CONTACT, THE BLOW IS FELT MILES AWAY...
OWWW! FEELS LIKE TONY JUST GOT IT IN THE NECK!
THAT HURT LIKE CRAZY...BUT I'M GLAD IT HAPPENED!


OUR PSYCHIC LINK HAS GIVEN ME A SIXTH SENSE ABOUT TONY! WHEN I FELT THAT LAST BLOW, I COULD TELL WHAT DIRECTION IT CAME FROM!
BUT CAN THE BLONDE BLOCKBUSTER FIND TONY BEFORE HIS CAPTORS REALLY GET ROUGH...AND KNOCK HER OUT OF THE PICTURE? ONLY PART II WILL TELL!
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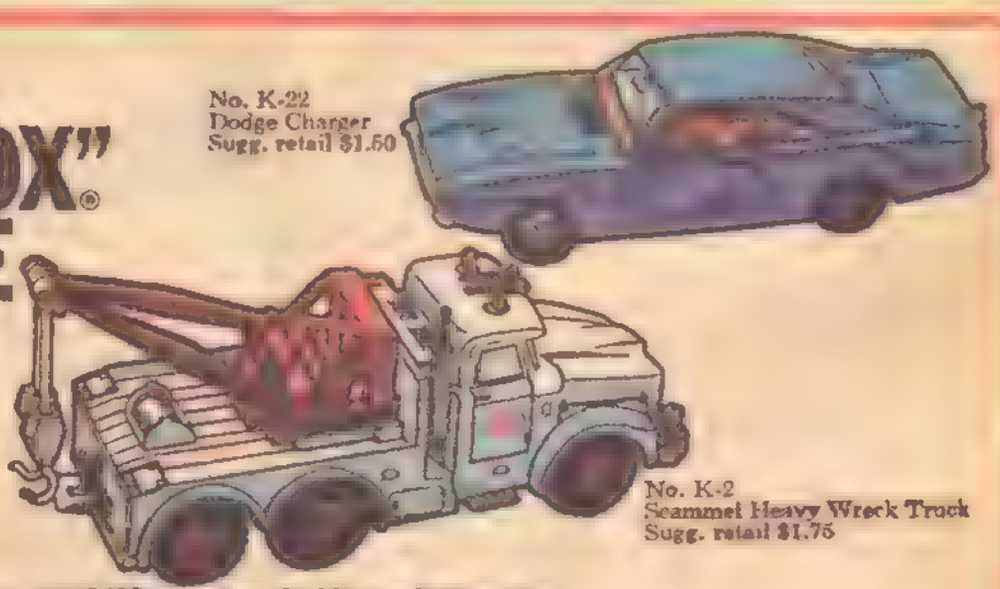

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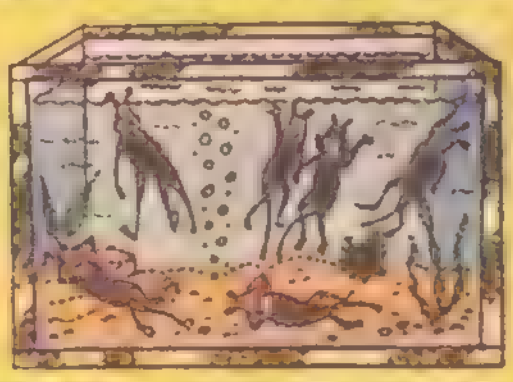

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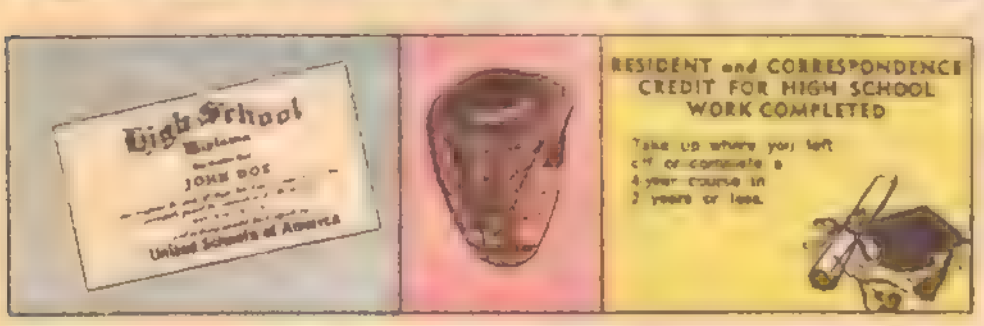
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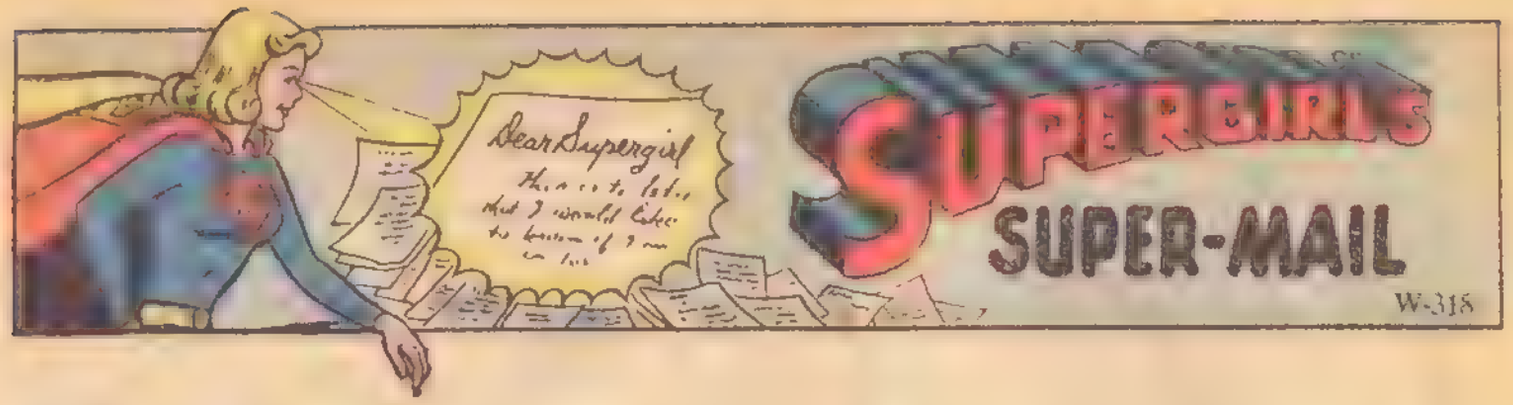

Dear Editor:

At last! Supergirl is to have her own magazine! That's what we fans have been begging for! The one reservation I have concerns the title of the magazine. Why should it be ADVENTURE COMICS? Why not simply change the title to SUPERGIRL?

—David Blake, Milwaukee, Wis.

(Retire the name ADVENTURE COMICS? Never! Why, it's one of the oldest comic titles still being published. It first appeared in 1935—34 years ago. The covers over the years have featured such favorites as Sandman, Starman, Hourman, Manhunter, Superboy, The Bizarro World, and the Legion of Super-Heroes. ADVENTURE has become an institution. And don't pull the old gag by saying, "Why should Supergirl live in an institution?"—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

No, no, no! You must not drop the Legion from ADVENTURE and replace them with Supergirl. She's only one heroine—but there are 26 heroes in the Legion. It just isn't fair to cut them down to half-size for the second spot in ACTION. After all, even with a whole issue to work with, you can only give a good play to four or five heroes. You could never get a good story with five heroes in less than 23 pages. I'm willing to bet 75¢ on that.

—Allen Thorne, Coral Gables, Fla.

(Take a look at the Legion story in the latest ACTION. Then, if you agree we did well by all five heroes, just use that 75¢ to buy the next five issues of ADVENTURE—starring Supergirl!—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

I was glad to get the news that Supergirl was getting her own magazine. But will she have the same artist? Or is it true that you'll have two different artists doing Supergirl stories?

—John Hughes, Bartlesville, Okla.

(It's true. And to give you a look at both of them, they're showcased in this issue. Win Mortimer did the cover story, Kurt Schaffenberger the second tale. How do you like 'em?—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

Supergirl is different from her cousin Superman in one very important way. While he has lost two sets of parents—his real parents and his foster parents, the Kents—Supergirl has two sets of living parents. There are her adopted parents, the Danvers', and her real parents, Zor-El and Alura, who live in the bottle-city of Kandor. So why is it we hardly ever see any of them? I can only recall one story in the last year in which Fred and Edna Danvers appeared—and Zor-El and Alura barely poked their faces in for one panel. Come on, where are they?

—Susan Jennings, Council Bluffs, Iowa

(We have a very good excuse—Supergirl is attending college and lives on campus. That's the reason her parents don't make themselves more apparent.—Ed.)

Dear Editor:

Supergirl is sure lucky she has a super-brain. Otherwise she'd have had an impossible task trying to learn all about Earth's history and culture, since she spent the first 15 years of her life in Argo City, and learned only about Krypton. But this brings up an interesting question. You've shown us something of Krypton's history, and a lot of its science. Now how about its cultural side? Were there Kryptonian artists to rival Michelangelo, Leonardo, Raphael and Andrew Wyeth? Did they have writers like Homer, Shakespeare, Tolstoy and Mark Twain? Could their composers match Mozart, Beethoven, Strauss and Gershwin? Come on, give us some info on Krypton's arts!

—Edna Lewis, Lexington, Ky.

(We'll just see if we can whip up a story about the greats of Krypton: Kru-Var, the sculptor; Mar-Pez, the playwright; Jun-Dal, the composer; and others. Of course, on Krypton, they did things a little differently. A Kryptonian orchestra had instruments no Earth musician ever dreamed of!—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

Supergirl may be in college, but she's sure not with it! This is the age of student revolution, man! Why don't that super-chick join up with the dissenters and help them storm the buildings and wreck the places? She could do a real groovin' job on the finky older generation. Yeah, man! That's what we need—a bird who can smash a whole school single-handed if the over-30 fossils don't let us rebels run the place! Or is she afraid the fuzz will get her with Kryptonite?

—Unsigned, San Francisco, Calif.

(Supergirl isn't afraid—like some people who don't sign their names. And she has too much sense to take part in wanton vandalism and criminal anarchy. She knows that we all have rights guaranteed by the Constitution, and we'll destroy those rights for ourselves if we deny them to others. She'll fight in a good cause; but she'll never abuse her powers by using them for illegal acts.—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

We all know that when Supergirl reached Earth, she took the name Linda Lee. Did she pick "Lee" because the first two letters were her real family name spelled backwards?

—Lester Hancock, Salem, Ore.

(Why Else?—Ed.)

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Dear Editor:

Most students at college have roommates. How about Supergirl? Does she have a roomie? And if so, does she have any trouble hiding her secret identity from her?

—Jane Evens, Carlsbad, N.M.

(She has two roommates—and you'll meet them in the next issue. And though they haven't suspected anything yet, we have a sneaking hunch they will in time. —Ed.)

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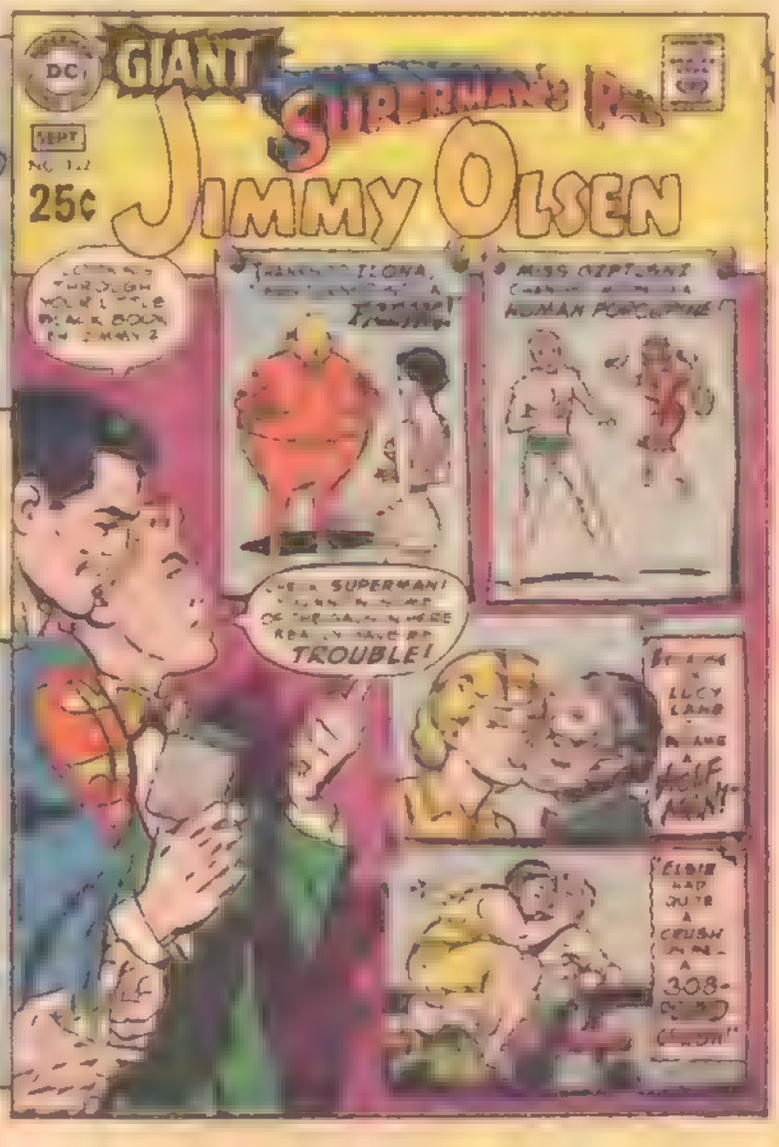

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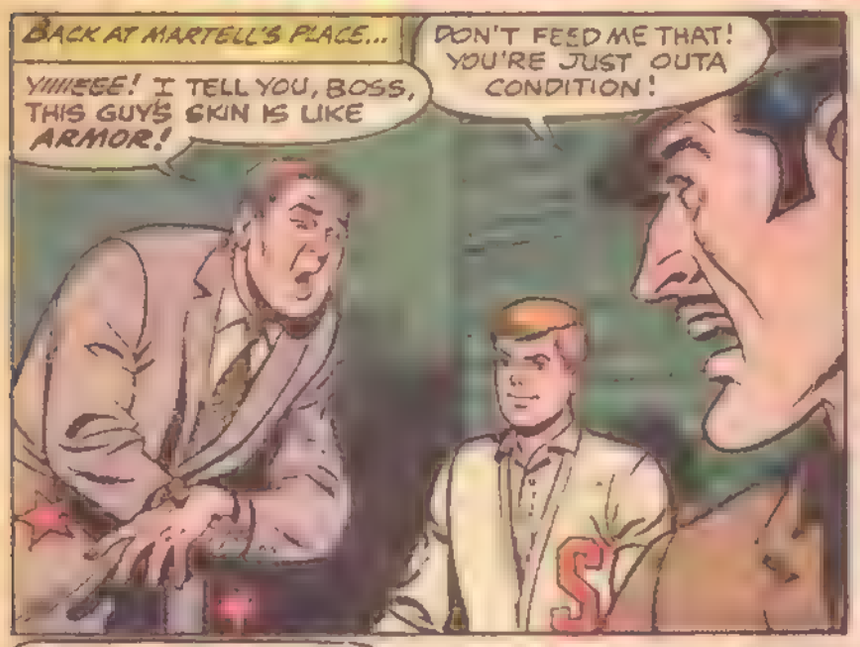
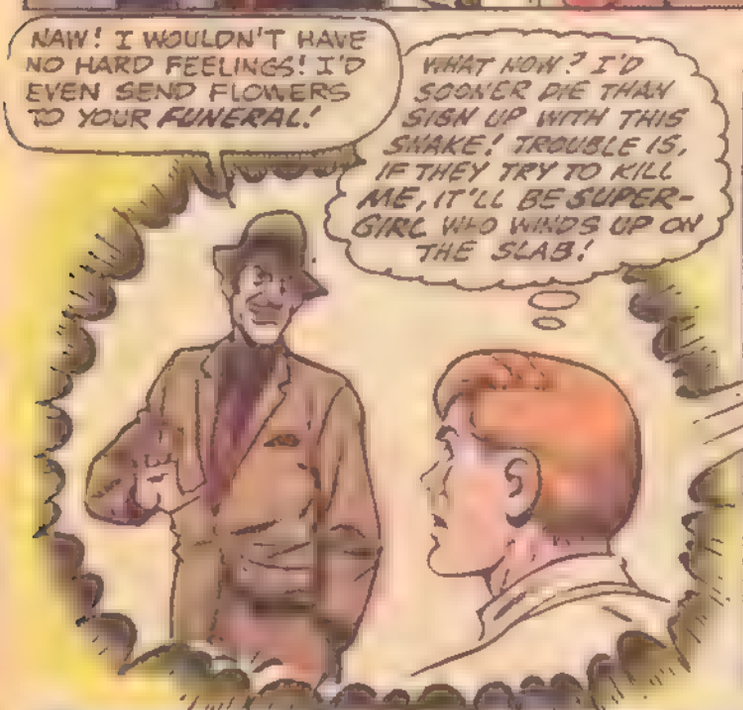
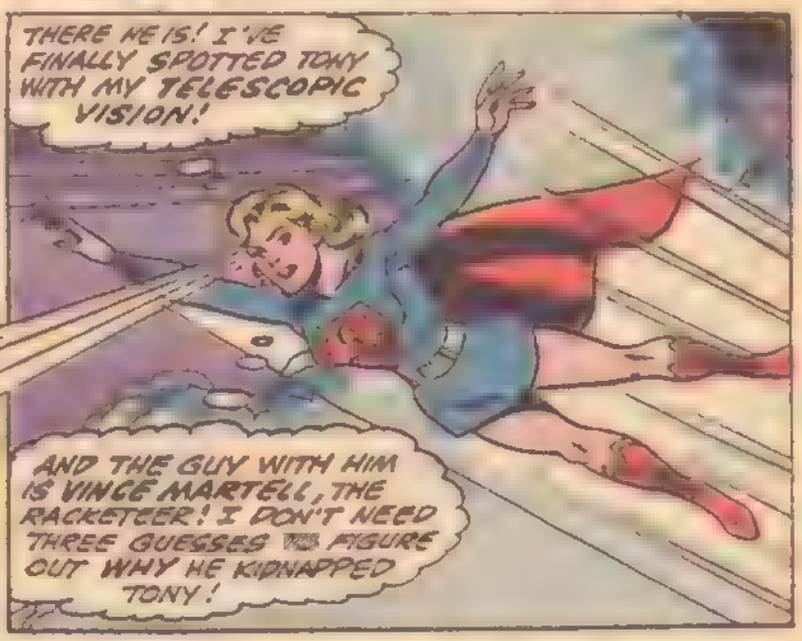
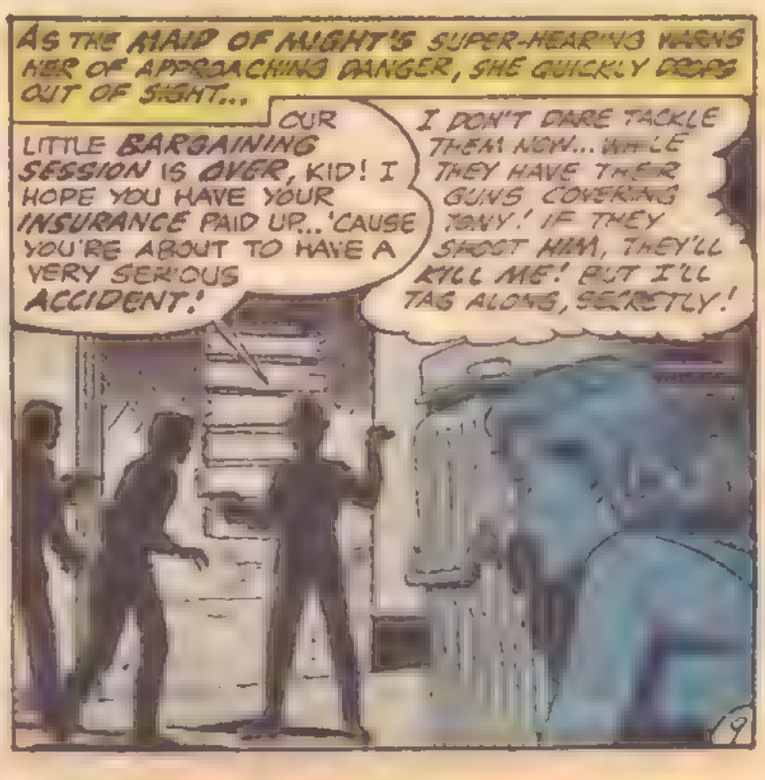


LOOK, KID, I'M THROUGH FOOLING AROUND! NO MORE "MR. NICE GUY"! YOU WORK FOR ME... OR YOU NEVER WORK AGAIN... GET ME?
YEAH.. I'VE HEARD YOU'RE A MAN WHO REALLY CAN CARRY A GRUDGE A LONG WAY!


NAW! I WOULDN'T HAVE NO HARD FEELINGS! I'D EVEN SEND FLOWERS TO YOUR FUNERAL!
WHAT NOW? I'D SOONER DIE THAN SIGN UP WITH THIS SNAKE! TROUBLE IS, IF THEY TRY TO KILL ME, IT'LL BE SUPER-GIRL WHO WINDS UP ON THE SLAB!

AT THAT MOMENT, SEVERAL THOUSAND FEET ABOVE...


THERE HE IS! I'VE FINALLY SPOTTED TONY WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION!
AND THE GUY WITH HIM IS VINCE MARTELL, THE RACKETEER! I DON'T NEED THREE GUESSES TO FIGURE OUT WHY HE KIDNAPPED TONY!


AS THE MAID OF MIGHT'S SUPER-HEARING WARNS HER OF APPROACHING DANGER, SHE QUICKLY DROPS OUT OF SIGHT...
OUR LITTLE BARGAINING SESSION IS OVER, KID! I HOPE YOU HAVE YOUR INSURANCE PAID UP... 'CAUSE YOU'RE ABOUT TO HAVE A VERY SERIOUS ACCIDENT!
I DON'T DARE TACKLE THEM NOW... WHILE THEY HAVE THEIR GUNS COVERING TONY! IF THEY SHOOT HIM, THEY'LL KILL ME! BUT I'LL TAG ALONG, SECRETLY!

SOON, IN A CONDEMNED FACTORY OUTSIDE TOWN...

I HAD THIS STEEL MAZE BUILT TO GET RID OF GUYS WHO CROSS ME! THERE ARE DOZENS OF DEATH TRAPS IN IT, BUT IF YOU CAN AVOID 'EM AND FIND YOUR WAY TO THE DOOR AT THE OTHER END, YOU CAN GO FREE!

AND WE'LL BE WATCHING FROM THIS CATWALK TO SEE THAT YOU KEEP MOVING!

CAUTIOUSLY, THE YOUTH THREADS HIS WAY THROUGH THE WINDING CORRIDORS OF THE MAZE, UNTIL...

OH-OH, A FLAME THROWER...RIGHT IN MY PATH! IF I GO FORWARD, SUPERGIRL WILL BE FRIED TO A CRISP...AND IF I DON'T, THOSE THUGS WILL START SHOOTING!

BUT THE STANHOPE SENSATION HAS BEEN WATCHING FROM HIDING ...AND NOW SHE SENDS A MIGHTY PUFF OF SUPER-BREATH WHIPPING THROUGH THE MAZE...

I DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT SUDDEN WIND CAME FROM, BUT IT BLEW THE FLAME ASIDE! NOW I CAN GET BY!

SOON AFTER, AS TONY ROUNDS A CORNER...

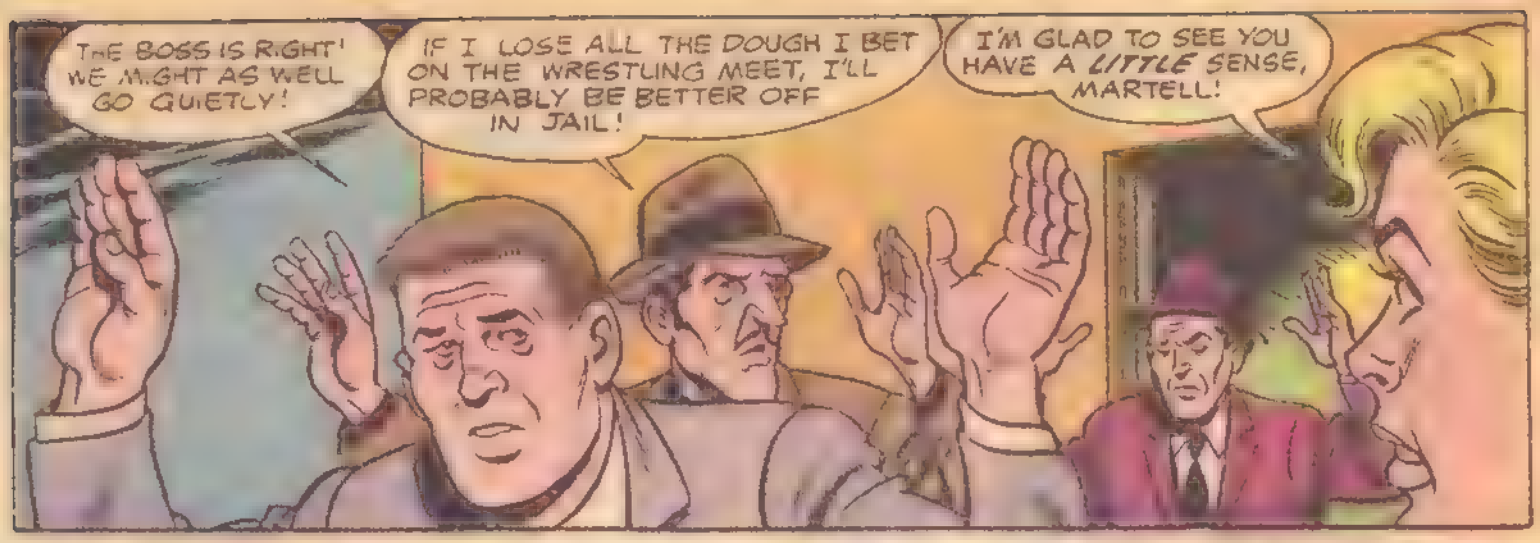
OH, BROTHER! WHEN I BLUNDERED INTO THIS ROPE IT RELEASED A CONCRETE BLOCK JUST ABOVE ME! AND THE ROPE IS HOLDING ME SO I CAN'T GET OUT OF THE WAY!

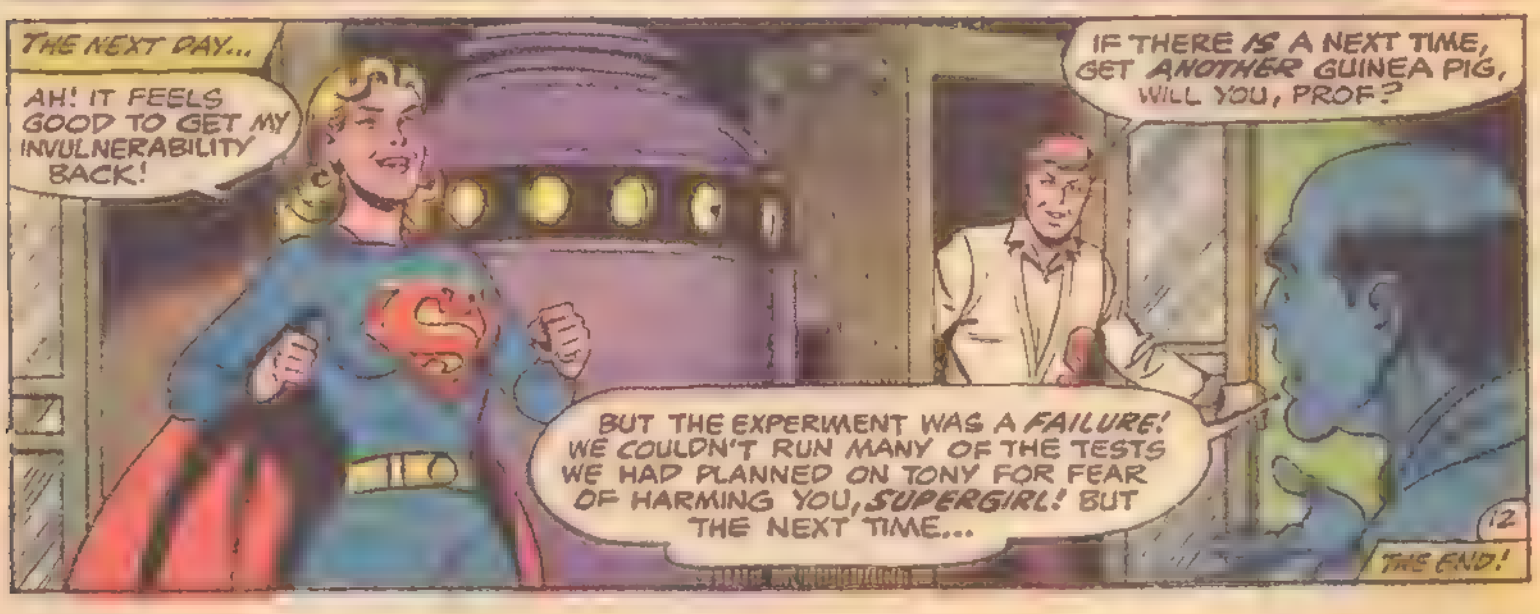
THIS TIME, THE MAID OF STEEL CLAPS HER HANDS AT SUPER-SPEED...

CRACK!

:WHEE-EW:: THAT SOUNDS LIKE A SONIC BOOM...BUT IT'S SHATTERING THE BLOCK TO DUST!

AS TONY CHEELS TO FREE HIMSELF FROM THE TUBE A WHISPER REACHES HIS EAR...
WHAT A BREAK!
THIS IS SUPERGIRL, SPEAKING BY SUPER-VENTRILOQUISM! I'LL GIVE YOU DIRECTIONS HOW TO GET PAST THE TRAPS AND REACH THE DOOR!
MINUTES LATER...
BUT IT WON'T HELP HIM ONCE HE STEPS OUT THAT DOOR EH, BOSS?
THAT KID MUST BE THE LUCKIEST GUY ON EARTH TO GET PAST ALL THOSE TRAPS ALIVE!
NEXT MOMENT, TONY SPRINGS THROUGH THE PORTAL...AND INTO EMPTY SPACE...
YE GODS! MARTELL MADE SURE NOBODY COULD GET OUT OF HIS MAZE ALIVE! THE EXIT IS AT THE EDGE OF A SHEER CLIFF!
SUPERGIRL HAD BETTER MOVE IF SHE DOESN'T WANT TO WIND UP WITH A BROKEN NECK!
YOU MADE IT, SUPERGIRL! NOW LET'S GET BACK UP THERE AND TAKE THOSE CROOKS!
OH, NO! NOW THAT YOU'RE SAFE, YOU'LL STAY ON THE SIDELINES! I'LL WRAP UP THOSE BADDIES MYSELF!
WITHIN SECONDS, A RED-AND-BLUE THUNDERBOLT STREAKS AT THE THREE HOODS...
IT'S SUPERGIRL! BLAST HER!
QUIT WASTING LEAD, KNUCKLEHEADS! THAT DOLL IS INVULNERABLE! I GIVE UP!
BAM!
BAM!
THANK HEAVENS MY COSTUME IS STILL INDESTRUCTIBLE! MY CAPE MAKES A GREAT SHIELD!


THE BOSS IS RIGHT! WE MIGHT AS WELL GO QUIETLY!
IF I LOSE ALL THE DOUGH I BET ON THE WRESTLING MEET, I'LL PROBABLY BE BETTER OFF IN JAIL!
I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU HAVE A LITTLE SENSE, MARTELL!


THE NEXT DAY...
AH! IT FEELS GOOD TO GET MY INVULNERABILITY BACK!
IF THERE IS A NEXT TIME, GET ANOTHER GUINEA PIG, WILL YOU, PROF?
BUT THE EXPERIMENT WAS A FAILURE! WE COULDN'T RUN MANY OF THE TESTS WE HAD PLANNED ON TONY FOR FEAR OF HARMING YOU, SUPERGIRL! BUT THE NEXT TIME...
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THE END!

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